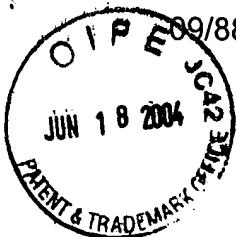


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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the Final Office Action dated December 17, 2003, wherein claims 1-22 stand finally rejected.

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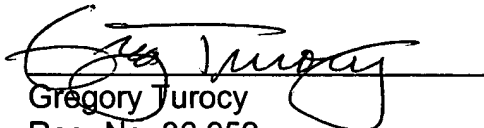
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